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CD Program Takes Shape On Campus

Air Raid Wardens Are Appointed

A civil defense program for the University campus is beginning to take shape with the appointment of air raid wardens for dormitories and fraternity houses. Prof. Harry D. Watson, Safety Committee chairman, announced this week.

A complete list of the student wardens will probably be available next week, Professor Watson said, and organization and training will begin as soon as possible. Details of the training program will be settled in the near future, he added.

One of the first steps in the program, he indicated, will be a special showing of the 20-minute film "You Can Beat the A-Bomb." Originally a short subject made to be shown in theaters, this film is now in the library of the Audio-Visual Service, which is making it available at a small fee to interested organizations throughout the state.

After the wardens have seen the picture, Professor Watson said, arrangements may be made to show it to the rest of the student body.

Dorms Get Pamphlets

Shortly before the Christmas recess, the Safety Committee distributed to dormitories and student organizations 500 copies of a Government pamphlet called "Survival under Atomic Attack." "The meat of it," Professor Watson pointed out, "is in two short sections near the middle—'Kill the Myths' and 'Six Survival Secrets for Atomic Attack.' Every student should read those, if he reads nothing else in the booklet. I think enough have been distributed so that everyone can have a chance to do so."

So far, civil defense measures for the campus have not been integrated with the over-all state program, the Safety Committee head said. Such an

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Connie Lawley Heads Soph Hop

Connie Lawley has been named chairman of the committee for the Sophomore Hop, officers of the Sophomore class have announced. The dance is scheduled for March 16.

Assisting her in planning the affair will be: Pat Huddleston, program; Barry Ward, refreshments; Doug Kneeland, publicity; and Lois Welton and Jim Murtha, decorations.

Since the dance falls on the day before St. Patrick's day, decorations and arrangements will be in keeping with the theme suggested by that date.

Bill Hirst, Sophomore class president, has announced the names of members of that class's executive committee. Now working with the class officers in planning for the Sophomore Hop and the 1953 Prism, the committee is staffed by Dick Searles, Trudy Wyman, Don Stritch, Chet Cambell, and Nancy Kelley.



Cabinet members huddle over new constitution at MCA house. Members shown, left to right, are: Joanne Josslyn, Larry Mason, Roger Bailey, Ida Moreshead, Dick Dennison, and Beverly Johnson.

—Longley Photo

American Tel. And Tel. Official To Give Talk In Women's Gym

By SID FOLSOM

Ever wonder what your voice looks like?

Have you ever heard four people talking at once and wished you could unscramble the quadruple conversation?

A man will lecture here on Wednesday, Feb. 21, and will have equipment with him which can solve both of these problems.

Dr. James O. Perrine, assistant vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, is to give an unusual talk and demonstration on that date in the Women's gym. The lecture, open to the public, is scheduled for 8 p.m. Official title of the lecture is "More Waves, More Words, Less Wires."

His talk will pertain to the carrier system of telephone transmission, through which a large number of conversations may be made over a single set of wires.

Brings Much Equipment

Dr. Perrine is said to be bringing with him one and one-half tons of electrical equipment, to be used in the demonstration.

Included in the equipment will be a device with which one can see and hear four different voices going over a single pair of wires. Fourteen telegraph messages will also be sent simultaneously over those same wires—840 words per minute.

Dr. Perrine's appearance here is being sponsored jointly by the U. of M. branches of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Institute of Radio Engineers, and Sigma Pi Sigma, physics honor society.

On National Tour

A national lecturer for Sigma Pi Sigma, he is currently touring the country giving demonstrations and interpretations of scientific progress in the telephone industry.

Dr. Perrine is a graduate of the

University of Iowa, and holds an M.S. degree from Michigan and a Ph.D. from Cornell.

Professors Creamer and Bennett of the Electrical Engineering and Physics Departments, respectively, have done much to make Dr. Perrine's appearance here possible. They are both personal friends of the speaker.

This will bring to a close the long series of scientific talks which he has presented before college and university groups, scientific and engineering organizations, and civic societies for the last 20 years.

Frats Start Rushing Freshmen Today, Russ Meade Announces

President Russ Meade of the Interfraternity Council has announced that the official rushing of freshmen will start Feb. 15 and continue through March 1. During this period freshmen will be entertained at meals, smokers and parties by the various fraternities. This close association affords the fraternities the opportunity to become better acquainted with the rushees, and facilitates the decision which the rushee must make in regard to the choice of a house.

On March 2, the freshmen will report to the Louis Oakes room in the Library and list the three fraternities of their choice in order of preference. Each fraternity whose pledging quota is established by the Interfraternity Council, will submit two lists of prospective pledges. The first list will contain the exact number of names necessary to fill its pledging quota. The second list may contain as many names as the fraternity wishes to include. This second list is in preferential order and serves to supplement the positions not filled on the preferred

Campus-Wide Vote Taken On Air Force ROTC Unit; Count To Be Finished Soon

Crossland Doubts That Decision Will Affect The Present ROTC Unit

Results of a campus-wide student and faculty referendum on the question of establishing an Air Force ROTC unit here are expected to be ready early next week. But whether or not the vote will have any decisive effect on the final outcome is up to an "anonymous and impartial board" in Washington.

Conceivably, a decisive rejection of the proposal by the student body could kill it. An affirmative vote, on the other hand, might assure the establishment of the Air Force training unit. Either way, however, there is no guarantee. In the words of Charles E. Crossland, Director of Student and Public Relations, "Frankly, we just don't know. It's all up to the Air Force."

The Air Force idea of polling students and faculty on the proposal came as something of a surprise to University officials, who had applied to Washington for the establishment of the unit as long ago as last October.

The purpose of the application, according to President Arthur A. Hauck, was to "try to provide a wider range of choice in fields of military training" for students taking ROTC courses.

The present ROTC unit here offers only Army courses in infantry, artillery and signal corps work. It would in no way be affected.

The first evidence of action on the U. of M. application, Mr. Crossland said, was the appearance of a group of Air Force officers here in November to inspect University facilities. At that time, he said, the Air Force appeared to be chiefly interested in training students for ground crew and engineering work. "Whether that's still what they have in mind, though," he

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Navy Reservist Can Get Degree By Joining ROC

College students who are now in the naval reserve may take steps toward enrolling in the Reserve Officers Corps and prolong their college career the full four years. The ROC program was elaborated upon by Lt. Comdr. Maurice P. Shaw, last week, at a talk to a capacity crowd in the Louis Oakes room.

"All college students who are part of the organized naval reserve and are not members of the senior class are eligible," said Shaw.

At present, the only requirements to be filled are a rigid physical examination and a 12-week training period during the summer months.

"Junior class members must agree, in writing, that they will serve their last six weeks after graduation, however," he added.

The pay rates for the two-week period, regardless of previous rank in the service, are as follows:

During the first part of the training all personnel will be paid a Seaman's pay, and those in the last six weeks will receive Petty Officers' pay.

At the end of the training and upon graduating from college, candidates will be commissioned as ensigns in the United States Naval Reserve.

Sealey Elected Juniors' Adviser

John C. Sealey, Jr., Executive Secretary of the General Alumni Association, was elected faculty advisor to the Junior class at the first meeting of the class executive committee. He replaces Robert Worrick, who left for service with the 101st Fighter Wing of the Maine National Guard.

The committee voted to make the annual Junior dance a Beaux Arts Ball, similar to that held last year, instead of a formal. Greg MacFarland was elected general chairman of the dance committees. The dance will be held Friday, April 20.

The recently appointed executive committee includes class officers and five committeemen appointed by the officers. Members of the committee are Dick Dow, Carl Wight, Janette Pratt, Harry Easton, Harry Henderson, Howard Foley, Jean McIntire, Nancy Knowles, and Walt Schurman.

Registrar Reports Catalog For 1951 Ready Next Week

The new 1951 University of Maine catalog will be made available to students a week from today, according to an announcement from the office of the registrar.

The book contains descriptions of more than 900 different courses which cover a wide range of subjects from accounting to zoology. Details which will be of aid to students are given according to the various colleges at the University.

Admission and financial information is contained within the pages of the catalog to clarify requirements regarding entrance, tuition, and other fees.

A two-color map of the University campus has also been incorporated in the catalog, as well as photographs of various campus buildings.

The cover is new this year. It was designed by Vincent Hartgen, head of the University art department.

Students Paid \$33,000 In Fall Activities Fees; Shares Went To Athletics, Senate, And Campus

By SID FOLSOM

Students registering here last September paid more than \$33,000 in activities fees for the fall semester, the Treasurer's office has announced. In addition, U. of M. registrants paid more than \$19,000 in health fees for the same period.

These sums represent an activities fee of \$9.50 and a health fee of \$5.50 paid by nearly all of the 3,695 students registering. All money received in health fees goes to the University Health Service, while the activities fee payments are divided among the General Student Senate, the Athletic Department, and the Maine Campus.

Sports Take Lion's Share

From each \$9.50 activities fee, \$9 goes to the Athletic Department. According to Mr. Frederick S. Youngs, University Treasurer, that department received an estimated \$31,293 from

fall semester activities fee payments.

The General Student Senate receives 12 1/2% out of each student's activities fee. Their share amounted to an estimated \$434 for the fall semester.

The Campus gets 37 and a half cents from each activities fee paid, and, according to Mr. Youngs, received an estimated \$1,304 for the fall semester from this source.

While most students are billed for both activities and health fees, there are a few who are not required to make these payments.

Special Students Exempt

Special students, nursing students, graduate students not enrolled for a full schedule, and two-year Agriculture students do not pay the activities fee. But only the Agriculture students are excused from the health fee payment.

Activities and health fees are paid on a semester basis. The \$9.50 activi-

ties fee and the \$5.50 health fee are payable each semester—twice a year, for most of us.

According to Mr. Youngs, both fees have been set at their present figure since the fall semester of 1946. The most important change at that time was a boost in the health fee from \$6 annually to the present \$11 per year.

Total payments of both fees are expected to take a drop in the spring semester, in keeping with the decrease in enrollment here.

Tom Fogler has been elected president of Sigma Chi fraternity for the Spring semester. Other officers include Reginald Nye, vice president; Perk Gould, treasurer; and Clayton Davis, secretary. Bob Ridlon will head the social committee.

Fraternities Get Seventy Pledges

A total of 70 men have been officially pledged by 12 of the 17 fraternities, according to the latest word from administrative channels.

A breakdown is as follows:

Beta Theta Pi—Clyde M. Bickford, William F. Beech, Ronald Leathers, William A. Perry, Thomas M. Thomas.

Delta Tau Delta—Charles F. Coffin, Charles R. Cushing, Randall R. David, Louis S. Jennings, Richard S. Legere, Douglass A. Vollmer.

Kappa Sigma—Richard J. Whately.

Lambda Chi Alpha—Lawrence R. Bailey, Charles A. Barrett, Martin K. Lyons, Robert C. Harmon, Paul Lamoreau, Fred P. Tarr.

Phi Gamma Delta—John J. Bickford, James P. Gorman, Donald L. Horne, Walter F. John, Donald E. Lincoln, Robert P. McGlaughlin, Vernon F. Napolitano.

Phi Mu Delta—Harold B. Hutchinson.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon—Sumner R. Cahoon, George W. Hersey, Roger T. O'Neil, Frank A. Pitman.

Sigma Chi—Albert H. Ashley, Bruce L. Clifford, Ralph C. Cunningham, Robert E. Hunter, David Lovejoy, Arthur N. Nicol, Frank E. Pickering, William S. Ruby, Earle D. Stevens, Richard K. Trenholm, Eugene R. White.

Sigma Nu—David H. Hodgkins, Frank L. McNally, Irvin W. Pendleton, Robert J. Rooney.

Sigma Phi Epsilon—Vance M. Bakeman, Albert H. Bishop, Victor L. Grover, Ronald E. Leathers, Robert B. McTaggart, Gordon S. Webber.

Tau Kappa Epsilon—Robert P. Brown, William D. Currie, Gilbert French, Robert J. Hampson, David Haskell, Jean L. Lavigne, A. Jack Merry, Lendall H. Nevens, Stanley L. Payson, Norman W. Pelletier, J. Donald Reny, Earl R. Steward, Woodruffe L. Bartley, Frederick W. York.

Theta Chi—Bryce G. Barton, Donald E. Holdsworth, Dodd J. Ouellette, William D. Wheeler, Kenneth L. Wilson.

Bagarotti Concert Draws Large Crowd

A large and enthusiastic audience heard Giovanni Bagarotti, noted Italian violinist, give what he described as the "first morning concert" of his career in Memorial Gym yesterday. Mr. Bagarotti, who included on his program works by Beethoven, Friedemann, Bach, and Sarasate, won what was practically an ovation from his audience at the end of the 50-minute concert. His wife, Marta Rousseau Bagarotti, was his accompanist.

At 3 p.m. yesterday afternoon, Mr. Bagarotti gave an informal recital in the foyer of Carnegie hall. During the day, music students were given the opportunity to consult with him.

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Film 'One God' Starts Off Week Of Brotherhood

The observance of Brotherhood Week on this campus will get under way Sunday, and will continue throughout next week. Catholic mass will be held at 8 a.m. in Our Lady of Wisdom chapel, and will be followed at 9 a.m. by a communion breakfast for Newman Club members in Estabrooke dining room.

Other religious services during the day will include Catholic mass in Our Lady of Wisdom chapel at 9, 10, and 11 a.m.; Episcopal services in the SRA building's Little Chapel at 9:15 a.m.; and non-denominational Protestant services in the Little Theatre at 11 a.m.

At 7 p.m. Sunday the Maine Christian Association and the Hillel Foundation will hold a joint meeting in the Louis Oakes room of the Library.

The film "One God" will be shown Sunday at both the Newman Club communion breakfast and at the joint meeting of Hillel and MCA.

Brotherhood Week planners said they expect to show the film to a number of other organizations during the week. Any groups interested in having the film shown to them are invited to contact the Rev. Charles E. O'Connor, director of the SRA, or Pat Dionne, Delta Tau Delta, chairman of the SRA's Brotherhood Week committee.

The film pictures authentic religious services conducted by Roman Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish groups. Organ selections from the sacred music of each faith group is recorded on the film's sound track.

International Night, a presentation of the foreign students' International club, will take place next Saturday, Feb. 24. A stage show is to be presented at 8 p.m. in the Little Theatre, and will feature entertainment by members of the club. George Liakakos, Greece, will be master of ceremonies.

A dance will be presented in the Women's gym following the stage show, and will continue until 11:45 p.m.

According to Dionne, the theme of Brotherhood Week is to be "Brotherhood—It Asks To Be Lived." The events and displays presented in connection with the week will follow this theme.

An exhibit of posters and religious articles is planned to be shown during the week in the display cases in the Library lobby.

A number of short talks will be given over the public-address system to describe portions of the Brotherhood Week program. Mayor Duke Walters is expected to take part in this program.

Besides chairman Pat Dionne, the SRA committee for Brotherhood Week is staffed by Mary Snyder and Annette Mann.

Handling arrangements for International Night will be Steve Casakos, Greece, club president; Victor Sertic, Austria; and George Liakakos.

Greek Youth Studying Here Expects To Be Canadian Citizen

By Sid Folsom

Picture yourself back in high school. Imagine you have recently moved to a strange city, and are enrolling for your senior year.

What would you think if the principal asked whether you'd mind being listed under a name other than your own—because no one could pronounce your true name?

That's exactly what happened a few years ago to George Liakakos, a Greek youth who expects to become a Canadian citizen, and is now studying at U. of M.

Travels To Canada

George, a slender, dark-haired, 20-year-old, left his native Greece three years ago to come to this continent. Acting on an invitation from his uncle, who lives in St. John, N. B., he journeyed to that city to study in Canadian schools.

And it was in St. John that he met the high school principal who could not pronounce his name.

In the fall of 1948, after spending a year learning English, George entered St. John High School as a senior. As he was registering, he says, the school's principal queried him.

Explaining that none of the school's staff could pronounce the Greek's surname, the principal asked if he would enroll under another name.

Took Uncle's Name

At any rate, he says, he changed his name temporarily, and registered as George Stevenson, taking the name of his Canadian uncle. After graduation from high school, he finally got the name problem ironed out, and entered the University of New Brunswick as George Liakakos.

Continuing his story, George tells of later obtaining a student visa to this country, issued under his Greek passport. With this, he was able to enter Maine this fall as a sophomore.

Although he has not completely decided what his career will be George describes his interests as including business, government, writing, and philosophy. After studying these, and topping them off with a dash of language study, he says he hopes to enter some field in which he can utilize them all—possibly foreign correspondence, or diplomatic service.

Uncle In Bangor

At present, George is working part time in Bangor, assisting his uncle, Angelo Stevenson, proprietor of one of the city's larger restaurants.

The Greek student is glad to be in this country and to be able to finish his schooling in peace. His earlier school days, he points out, were disrupted by the German and Italian occupations of Greece, and later by the Greek civil war.

In 1940, when George was 10 years old, Italian forces moved into Greece,

taking over the schoolhouses for quartering of troops. The Germans, entering in 1941, continued this practice.

The invaders left Greece in 1944, but schools remained closed for another year while civil war raged between Greek royalist and communist forces. The royalists were finally restored to power by a U. S. and British-authorized popular election.

Home Near Sparta

George's home was in the farming town of Xerocampion, near Sparta. It was in the latter city that he attended high school when schools were reopened.

Moved by patriotism during the occupation, George continues, many Greek men and boys took part in underground and guerilla activities. As was the case in many other countries, the underground served mainly as an information source and a means of communication for the patriots.

The guerillas were the defenders of the people, and were heroes to nearly everyone. The ambition of most young men, George remembers, was to prove themselves worthy in underground work, and then to be accepted into the ranks of the fighting guerillas.

Like most other Greek boys his age, George wanted to join the resistance forces. His mother restrained him, however, and he maintains he owes his life to her wisdom.

Joined Town Gang

According to the Greek youth's tale, however, the boys of his town formed a gang, and conducted their own private wars with the youths in neighboring towns. Battling began with stones and slings, and ended with home made rifles.

Although no one was killed in this reckless fighting, several boys were wounded. George himself carries a scar caused by the explosion of a home made rifle.

Two of George's uncles, engaged in guerilla fighting, were executed by the occupying Germans. Two more died during the civil war.

His father had died before the invasion of 1940, leaving George and a sister under his mother's care. The sister and mother are now living in St. John.

George says he does not expect to return to Greece, except possibly for a visit. With only one year to wait before he will become a Canadian citizen, he plans to make his permanent home on this side of the Atlantic.

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Hirst Will Receive Bids For '53 Prism Editor, Manager

Bill Hirst, president of the Class of 1953, has announced that applications are now being accepted for the positions of editor and business manager of the 1953 Prism. The jobs are open to either men or women students.

All interested students are requested to apply by mail to Bill Hirst, Box 89, Dunn hall. Applications should include the student's qualifications for the job of his choice, past experience in that line, a list of his present and past extracurricular activities, and at least one reference from a member of the University faculty or administrative staff.

Hirst said applicants should state for which of the two jobs they are applying. Applications should be in before March 21, he said, as the positions will be filled on that date.

The job of choosing the two Prism officers will be in the hands of the Sophomore class officers, the class executive committee, and the university's student-faculty Publications committee. Applications will be reviewed by all three of these groups, Hirst said.

Delta Zeta To Hold Fair

Delta Zeta sorority will hold a fair in the Balentine sun parlor Saturday at 2 p.m. Knitted goods, food, and other articles will be on sale. There is no admission. The public is invited.

Bumper Rub Has Sad Sequel

It was a beautiful afternoon. Clear blue-turquoise-colored sky. Picturesque frost-covered trees. Students walking hand in hand. It was a day for the enjoyment of nature and the remembering of fond memories.

And faculty member Mrs. Phyllis Williamson's left front fender had a particular warm feeling for ROTC Master Sergeant Jesse Rodgers' right side door. The automobile bodies met on campus in front of the New Engineering building. They kissed.

Both drivers evacuated their vehicles after the amorous incident. They approached each other. They had words. The words were finely enunciated with proper grammar stressed by the diction and inflection which can only be found on a college campus. The two took leave of each other and proceeded to class—on foot.

The class to which Sgt. Rodgers went was Introduction to Radio where he sits in the back row. Mrs. Williamson teaches it.

John McBride was elected president of the Forestry club last Thursday night. Club members also voted in Gordon Webber as vice president, Arthur Burner as secretary, and Peter Mount as treasurer. Officers will serve during the next year. The next meeting of the Forestry club will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

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What Colleges Are Good For

All of us are hearing a lot these days about the importance of college, and of college graduates, to national defense. We are told that a reservoir of trained leaders is essential to the security of our country, and that strong support for our universities is the prime guarantee that such a reservoir will be available. For many college men this boils down to the sound advice: "Stay in school—complete your education. Conscientious study is the best service you can render your country, at least as things stand now."

This is all very good, as far as it goes. The trouble is that it doesn't go far enough. The emphasis is misplaced.

We think that confusion about the aims and functions of our university system is far too dangerous to be tolerated, even in a world where confusion is the order of the day. We must understand what we are doing, and why, if we expect our efforts to bear good fruit.

What, after all, is the basic excuse for our colleges? Why are they so vital a support to our democratic ideals?

Colleges are not primarily schools for leadership. Nor are they necessarily designed for the purpose of teaching techniques and processes, although some were specifically chartered for that purpose. Both functions play an important part in their activities, but neither is really essential to their greatest purposes.

The real value of higher education lies in the fact that it gives us the opportunity to understand ourselves and our society, to analyze our motives, and to evaluate our goals. It encourages us to ask questions. "What?" and "How?" are among them, but the ultimate one without which all others would be meaningless, is "Why?"

That, fortunately, is a question that each of us has to answer for himself. College cannot do it for us. To expect that is to mistake the nature of liberal education, and to confuse totalitarianism with democracy.

Liberal teaching and liberal learning require tolerance. They cannot exist without it. The essence of democracy lies in respect for the individual's right to think for himself and to express his thoughts freely. That, however, is only half of the tolerance we must practice as students. We must not only defend our opponent's right to speak, but also do him the honor of believing in his sincerity. We cannot afford to mistake objectivity for dangerous motives, or try to stifle the questioner.

Colleges, after all, are democracy's best means for self-scrutiny. Like mirrors, they must remain clear and undistorted if they are to perform their proper function.

The college graduate of today has learned an impressive number of techniques for dealing with physical things. He has acquired a considerable amount of factual knowledge. And with this equipment he is well fitted to serve his society. But the most precious thing he has learned is the critical approach to himself and his world. What he counts for far more than what he can do.

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"By the way, Willie, that's acid in that water glass."

Black And White

By Sid Folsom

Foiled again! The University's Social Affairs committee, a few weeks back, sent a note to members of the faculty. It encouraged the faculty to be eager in accepting invitations to chaperon social affairs.

It's TREASON! That's what it is! The student body has worked all year to discourage chaperons, and now they do this!

This is an act of double-cross. The work of months—yea, years—is undone.

This letter could revive the popularity of chaperoning. Faculty may return again to their old-time eagerness to chaperon.

If this keeps up, how can we ever convince the world that chaperons are obsolete, useless, stupid, dull, and fuddy-duddy?

All year we've been slighting the faculty who chaperon. We've been phoning them at the last minute. We've tried to offend them, embarrass them, and neglect them at our parties.

We haven't even offered transportation to those who don't own cars,

or offered to supply baby-sitters to those who must have them before they can go out evenings.

So far as the writer knows, not a single student has extended a courtesy to a chaperon, or conversed with one at a party. We don't even know of many instances when a party-goer has greeted the chaperon when he arrived at a party.

All in all, we've done pretty well. Allowed to continue, we could easily have banished the chaperon from our campus. We could have banished the social and party life he represents.

Before long there wouldn't have been a faculty member willing even to chaperon a daytime taffy-pull.

But we can't knuckle under now. We'll fight. We'll continue the crusade thus far so nobly begun.

They can't push us around. Who does this guy Professor McNeary think he is—offering to help any interested party-planner in obtaining chaperons?

We'll show 'em who's boss. Students of the world, ARISE!

Sacred Bull

By Jim Barrows

Stud said it must be spring. "Every girl I've seen today has looked awful good to me," he affirmed, "and it worries me. Some of them were horrible. Beasts." Well, people who live in glass houses shouldn't.

The honor system hadn't worked too well on Joy's Sunday papers. They were set out in the mess halls, with a bowl for change beside them. Profits were out of existence, Joy said, until he put a small sign next to the bowls. He now can buy a cigar a week. The sign? "Thou shalt not steal."

So the *Pine Needle* would love to have had it first, but it actually happened:

Professor, talking on the learning process: "Can you tell me what goes on when we study?"

Faint voice from back of room: "The radio."

More woes for the poor car-owners. Government is again on the march. Gasoline prices are soon due for a hike. And cigarettes! Three cents more a pack! Liquor—you'll pardon the expression—prices will go up as much as fifty per cent.

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THOMAS JEFFERSON

Mail Bag

Pine Needle Flares Up

To the Editor: I wish to take this opportunity to extend my sincere sympathies for the pathetic article appearing in the last issue of the *Campus*. I am, of course, referring to the article "Fire and Brimstone." Being an editor, myself, I can fully understand the anxiety and tension created in your staff by having a Westbrook Pegler II in your humble midst.

In his latest bit of words and music, he attacked the students' magazine, *The Pine Needle*. He himself is a personification of the reference made to journalism in the third item of the second column of page nine of that issue.

I am writing this article directly to you, as I would write to the mother of an erring child. I sincerely hope you will not be too hard on him. All he needs really is a verbal spanking.

He attacked the last *Pine Needle* edition by implying that it contained no thought-provoking articles. He should remember that the issue came out during final exams. The typical student was so overworked during exams that he would have collapsed had he read anything requiring extra thought. The *Pine Needle* gives the student what he wants.

Perhaps your child isn't a typical student. Perhaps one might go even further and state that your Pegler II isn't a typical journalism student!

Pegler II goes on to say that the *Needle* "misrepresents itself as a college magazine." I ask him, therefore, to define a college magazine.

It is my firm belief that such scribbling will not be done again if Mr. Pegler II writes his articles sometime during the day rather than at 4 a.m. Saturday morning. Thus his mind will have some chance to clear up, and his thoughts may become a little bit clearer....

Constructively yours,

JOSEPH W. ZABRISKIE
Pine Needle Editor

Editor's Note: The article by Al Mersky referred to in the above letter was written the afternoon of Monday, Feb. 5. Al began writing at 3:41 p.m. and finished his column at 4:32 p.m.

Hands Across The Sea

Honourable Sir, This very instant, one month after beginning of the new school year, I desire transmit to you the friendly salutation of the pupils of our small island to every member of your University.

We are deeply impressed about your interest for the children of our school and their most vital needs during last school year. It is so rarely one meets true friends, when one is in misfortune, and we greatly appreciate what you have just done for us.

Our school has six grades and lies on the best locality of the devastated town. Attend it 64 pupils, boys and girls. Most and various are their vital needs. But they don't despair. They hope that tomorrow will rise "best."

It is the earnest hope of everyone connected with this project: that the mutual exchange of correspondence among teachers and pupils Americans and Greeks, may help to develop the international understanding which our world needs. Never fear! Nothing shall daunt us. We are determined to honor your name and our own too.

In full confidence on this matter, we all here unite in kindest love to every member of your University.

Yours respectfully,

SPIRO PAPAPETRU

Director of the Elementary Public School of Castellorizo Dodecanese

Sprague Finds 6441 A Solution

Dick Sprague, former news editor of the *Campus*, is now working as photographer for the *Bangor Evening Commercial*. While peacefully developing prints last Friday night, the telephones began piercing the evening quiet of the newspaper plant. The public wanted the final score of one of the city's high school basketball games. Sprague had no idea who won or where.

But with the resourcefulness of a newspaperman and the infinite wisdom of a college graduate, Dick met the problem squarely and conquered it. Between incoming calls, he approached the telephone, picked up the receiver, and dialed 6441. From this source, Dick got the game's results and was thus fortified against any future telephone queries.

The telephone number of the *Bangor Daily News* is 6441.

Calendar

THURSDAY, FEB. 15

- 5:30 p.m.—Prism Dinner, North Estabrooke
- 7 p.m.—Band Leadership Training, 22 Wingate
- 7:30 p.m.—Scabbard & Blade, 15 Coburn
- 7:30 p.m.—Politics and International Relations Club, Carnegie Lounge

FRIDAY, FEB. 16

- 7-8 p.m.—Hillel service, Louis Oakes room
- 6:15 p.m.—Basketball, Maine Freshmen vs. Aroostook State Normal—here
- 8:15 p.m.—Basketball, Maine vs. Northeastern—here

SATURDAY, FEB. 17

- 1:30 p.m.—Track, Maine vs. New Hampshire—here
- 6:15 p.m.—Basketball, Maine Freshmen vs. Washington State Normal—here
- 8:15 p.m.—Basketball, Maine vs. Connecticut—here
- (Debate Club, all-day session for interscholastic debate tournament)

SUNDAY, FEB. 18

- 8-9-10-11 a.m.—Catholic services, Our Lady of Wisdom Chapel.
- 9:15 a.m.—Episcopal services, SRA Little Chapel.
- 10:30 a.m.—Hillel breakfast, SRA
- 11 a.m.—Protestant services, Little Theatre.
- 4 p.m.—Concert by Varsity Singers, Carnegie Hall

MONDAY, FEB. 19

- 4:30-5:30 p.m.—Social Dance Class, SRA Building
- Fraternity and Sorority Meetings in the evening

TUESDAY, FEB. 20

- 7 p.m.—Square Dance Club, Women's Gym
- 7 p.m.—W.S.G.A., Carnegie Committee Room
- 7 p.m.—A.A.U.P. Banquet, Estabrooke Dining Room
- Basketball, Maine vs. Colby at Waterville

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

- 7:30 p.m.—French Club, SRA Building
- 7:30 p.m.—Modern Dance Club, Women's Gym
- 7:30 p.m.—Forestry club, Plant Science building, room 101

THURSDAY, FEB. 22

- 7 p.m.—Tumbling Club, Women's Gym
- 7:30 p.m.—Scabbard and Blade, 15 Coburn
- 8:15 p.m.—Basketball, Maine vs. Rhode Island State—here

University Society

BY FRAN DION

"Anybody got a nickel? Did Jan get pinned? How do you spell that name again? Are you sure she's engaged to Dick Doe? I thought it was John Shmoe. When is BUZ having their dance? Hey, hasn't anybody got a nickel?"

What a job! But oh, what fun. I have one consolation. At least, I know the girls who have just been pinned. Females have a lot of curiosity. No wonder a girl handles this column, but whoa there! If I keep on, I'll probably get myself into trouble so far that I won't get out of it. Besides a consolation, I have two wishes, and I hope they'll come true.

First, I'm hoping that I'll be able to do as good a job of writing society as my predecessor. Second, I want news. It's kinda hard to be everywhere at once and find out who got engaged, pinned, or married. Also it's difficult to call every fraternity or club whenever I hear about a social. I'll go broke that way. I'd appreciate it very much if the social chairmen of the various clubs, fraternities, and sororities would call me or leave a message in the Campus office. Okay?

With the beginning of a new semester the social life on campus is also beginning once again. Last Friday evening the Betas held a French party cabaret style. The walls were decorated like a French street scene, and the guests came in appropriate costume. There was group singing with a piano accompaniment by Eugene Scheuchzer. Chaperons for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. John

Beamesderfer and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hart.

On the same evening Phi Mu sorority held a Valentine semi-formal dance at the Phi Mu Delta house. Sammy Saliba's orchestra provided the music. The house was decorated according to the theme. Refreshments were served. Chaperons were Mrs. Oceana Yale, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doten, and Mr. and Mrs. George Lord.

On Saturday evening ATO held their annual Military Brawl. Music was provided by Don Lord's orchestra. There were decorations, and guests came in costume. Chaperons for the dance were Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Goodrich and Mrs. William Summers.

Over the week end there were also a number of informal vic dances.

The end of the last semester brought about many pinnings, engagements, and marriages but the list has not been exhausted yet. Therefore—

Pinned: Lorraine Cormier, Rumford, to Peter Arsenault, Kappa Sig; Marguerite Floyd to Ralph Ham, Kappa Sig; Joan Wing to Don Pert, ATO; and Patricia Hashey to Jack Babson, Alpha Gam.

Engaged: Elizabeth Melzar to Leon Pullen and Lois Leonard to Willis Hammond, Falmouth, Mass.

Married: Helen Sutton to Arthur Boulter; Marilyn Hoyt to Richard Sprague; Jean Brown, Belfast, to Olin Condon, Phi Eta; Jean Colby to Richard S. Ryder, Presque Isle; and Marilyn Booker, West Bath, to Albert Brown.

New Officers For Cub Nursery Are Appointed

New officers of the Maine Cub Nursery school board have been announced by Mrs. Charles O. Spear III. Their respective terms are to continue for one year.

The organization is composed of wives of GI students on campus and of other interested ladies. The club holds its meetings every other week at the homes of various members, and the nursery school is conducted in South Estabrooke.

The following is a list of new officers:

Mrs. Gerald O'Shea, chairman; Mrs. Louis Michaud, vice chairman; Mrs. Bernie Reynolds, secretary; Mrs. Keith Havey, treasurer; Mrs. Charles Spear, III, publicity; Mrs. Frederick Chick, rotary member.

Mrs. John Keller has been selected to serve as the new teacher while she is to be assisted by Miss Jane Bryant. Mrs. Richard Stover is the new substitute teacher. The school nurse is Mrs. Richard Maling.

Audio-Visual Office Needs Student Help

It was announced this week that the service wants to hire students to operate 16 mm. movie projectors, public address systems, and recorders.

Although past experience is not essential, the announcement stated that a background of work with sound equipment or projectors might be advantageous to anyone taking such a job.

For details, students are asked to contact Prof. Robert E. Schreiber, director of the Audio-Visual service, or Herbert Merrill, sound supervisor. Audio-Visual offices are located in the basement of South Stevens hall.

Varsity Singers Give Concert

The Varsity Singers, under the direction of James G. Selwood, will give a concert Sunday at 4 p.m. in Carnegie Hall. This is the second in a series of monthly Sunday afternoon concerts presented by the music department.

The program will include selections by Wagner, Handel, Dvorak, Van Woert, Rogers, Pitcher, and others.

Members of the Varsity Singers are: Tenors: Richard Ayotte, Jasper Bull, David Collins, Ronald Dow, Charles Fassett, Robert Leroux, Jean-Paul Roberge, and William Ruby; Basses: John Beeckel, Roger Dow, Clifton George, David Hicks, Paul O'Neil, David Powers, Frank Tillou, Donald Wark, Richard Wheeler, and Walter White.

Accompanists are Philip Pendleton and Roger Dow.

Sorority Will Sponsor Student-Faculty Party

Alpha Omicron Pi sorority will sponsor a student-faculty card party on Saturday, Feb. 24. The affair will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Estabrooke downstairs dining rooms. There will also be a food sale held during the afternoon. Admission to the party will be 30 cents, including tax.

Alpha Omicron Pi has as its philanthropic work the frontier nursing service in Kentucky which provides for medical care and the general welfare of the poorer people in the Kentucky mountain region. The purpose of the card party is to raise funds to aid this social project.

It is also hoped that the affair will help to promote a closer contact between the student body and the faculty on a social level.

Civil Defense Program Grows, Air-Raid Wardens Appointed

(Continued from Page One)

arrangement is impracticable at present, he explained, because there is no 24-hour switchboard service on campus. Air raid warnings will be sounded here by the steam plant whistle when the siren in Orono gives the alarm. The "attack expected immediately" signal is short blasts sounded continually for three minutes, and the "all clear" three steady one-minute blasts, Watson said.

The General Student Senate was scheduled to consider, Tuesday evening, the appointment of three students to the Safety Committee, which consists at present of Maintenance Engineer Parker Cushman, Francis S. McGuire, director of Plant and Facilities, Prof. Charles H. Moran of the College of Agriculture, Prof. Frederick B. Oleson of the College of Technology, and Professor Watson.

First aid courses for students in

cooperation with the Medical Unit of Maine Civil Defense have run into a temporary stumbling block—lack of qualified instructors. According to Charles E. Crossland, Director of Student and Public Relations, the matter was referred last fall to a committee consisting of Deans Elton E. Wieman and Edith Wilson, and Mr. Crossland. A poll of the faculty revealed at that time, he said, that the only faculty member who held a currently valid instructor's grade in Red Cross first aid was Miss Marion Rogers, head of women's physical education.

Miss Rogers, who teaches first aid as part of the regular curriculum for Physical Education students, began a new non-credit course for interested faculty members Jan. 5. There are eighteen enrolled in the course at present, who will be competent to teach the subject to students on a non-credit basis after they have completed the course in late spring.

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Many Annex students of 1947-48

will remember the now famous notification of a club being formed for "freethinkers, dogmatics, agnostics and atheists."

And once in a while a student humorist invades the sanctuary of these boards. A few weeks ago one of the North Dorm students was advertising for a wife. This week, some woman has put up a laundry notice which reads, "Would Like Men's Washing."

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Lesley Crawford Prints Shown

Twenty-five lithographs by Miss Lesley Crawford are on display this month in the print room of Carnegie Hall.

Miss Crawford studied at the Art Students' League in New York. Her lithographs have been exhibited at the Brooklyn Museum, the Library of Congress, Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh, and the San Francisco Museum of Art.

She is a member of many artists associations.

At the annual exhibition of the National Association of Women Artists in New York last year, Miss Crawford received a medal of honor for the best print in the show in recognition of her lithograph, "Quartet." The "Little Church Around the Corner" has also won many awards.

WLBZ To Present Fraternity Features Tomorrow Night

A fifteen-minute broadcast concerning fraternities at the University will be presented over station WLBZ in Bangor Friday at 10:30 p.m.

The broadcast will acquaint listeners with some of the history, functions, and aims of Maine fraternities. Along with this presentation will be musical entertainment by several campus students.

Alvan Mersky is serving as director of the broadcast. Narrators include Norman Andrews, Irving Remar, and Russell Meade.

Musical arrangements are to be given between the various discussions. Joe Soyachak will render guitar and vocal solos while pianist Keith Ruff will accompany soloist Richard Ayotte in another number. A highlight will be songs by the quartet composed of Richard Ayotte, William Ruby, Frank Tillou, and David Haskell.

Sunday Services At University Once Opposed

By ROLAND MANN

Most Protestant students who are currently attending Sunday morning worship at the Little Theatre are not aware of the fact that only ten years ago the services were regarded in some quarters as a dangerous innovation.

According to the Reverend Charles E. O'Connor, advisor to the new Student Religious Association and past MCA secretary, the institution of Protestant services on campus met with a good deal of opposition in the fall of 1940. Albion P. Beverage was secretary to the Protestant students' group at that time. Pastors of local churches opposed the idea at first, he said, because they feared the Little Theatre services would diminish student attendance in their own churches. It was a pleasant surprise for everyone when the exactly opposite effect occurred.

The services, which are popular enough with students to draw a congregation of at least 275 every Sunday, have always been held in the Little Theatre except when much greater attendance has forced them to move across the hall into the Women's Gym. They are entirely non-denominational.

Though not as a church, services have been held uninterruptedly every Sunday of the school year for the past ten years. Students who participate actively, doing this work gratis, have enabled the services to remain entirely self-supporting. Services are arranged by the Student Church Service Committee. The choir, which was paid at one time and later given academic credits, now sings purely as a service—and according to O'Connor, "the music is just as good, if not better."

Bills for the printing of programs, flowers, and the fees of guest pastors constitute most of the expenses, but so far collections have covered these costs so well that it has been possible to set aside money occasionally for the purchase of hymnals, a new communion service, and other needed appointments.

At least four times a year, services are held with a special theme. Freshman Week is one of these. Another such theme is the World Day of Prayer for Students. In addition, there have been services for Brotherhood and Embassy weeks, Communion Sundays, and regular Christmas and Easter Sunday programs.

The Reverend Elwin L. Wilson, present MCA advisor, delivers the sermon about every fourth Sunday. Other weeks are filled by guest preachers. An effort is constantly being made, O'Connor said, to obtain speakers of a variety of denominations.

The choir, which at present consists of about 20 students, has been under the direction of James G. Selwood of the music department since the services were begun ten years ago. Among the student organists have been Joap Springer, Paul Payson, Anna Crouse, and Bob Malcolm, '54, the present incumbent.

Neil Littlefield and Miriam Bull are this year's co-chairmen of the Student Church Services Committee. Alice L. Purdue serves as secretary.

The Maine Alumnus, an illustrated magazine of campus and alumni news published each month during the college year, is sent to former students who subscribe through payment of alumni dues.

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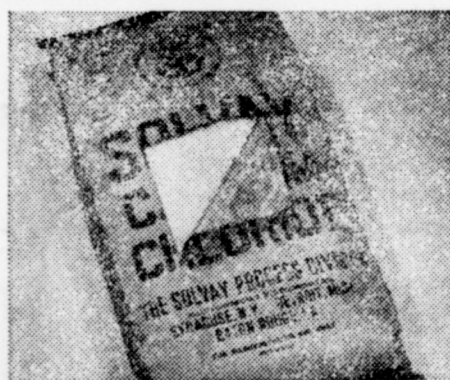
The first step of Du Pont chemists and engineers was to produce polythene in the laboratory to confirm earlier findings. Then the product was turned over to chemical engineers for pilot-plant work. Finally, a plant for full-scale commercial production was designed by chemical, mechanical and electrical engineers and metallurgists.

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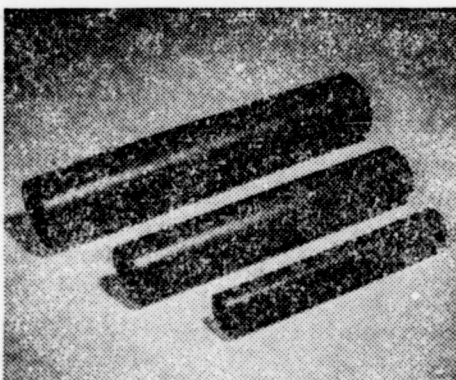
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make it an ideal insulator for wire and cable, particularly in the high-frequency applications necessary in television and radar.

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Powerful New Hampshire Invades Pale Blue Fold

Bear Facts

By BOB LORD

Maine's two snappy basketball victories last week were refreshing to say the least, and perhaps even more refreshing was the attitude of the student body as a whole. When the Bears emerged as winners in both contests, one could almost feel the air of sheer delight which permeated the gymnasium. The triumphs were more significant than just "rah, rah, we won!" affairs. And the cheers which resounded throughout the gym represented more than just a celebration of another Maine win.

The happy reaction proved a point. It substantiated the feeling all season that the fans were solidly behind Dr. Rome Ranin and his game cage crew. It was evident that Mr. Maine Q. Fan was happy for the capable Doctor and his court array. The fans had stuck with the team and its coach throughout nine straight losses, and seldom, if ever, was a complaint registered at the regular sessions of "The Armchair Coaches Club."

They had watched a fighting team, short on height and experience, but long on courage, finally reap a few dividends after plenty of hard work which had been started many weeks ago.

It was evident that these bitter losses were leading to some sort of climax, and most of the Maine fans wanted to be on hand to take a look-see when the Pale Blue Bears finally found the range. With every game the squad had shown marked improvement, and although hampered by one glaring weakness—no ball players who could substitute as skyscrapers—the team was on the upswing.

And so this column is written for the primary purpose of placing credit where it is due... to the Maine fans in general. There has been no end of words pounded out in criticism of unsportsmanlike conduct displayed at Memorial Gymnasium; we feel that it is now time to pass out a few posies.

Name me, if you can, another basketball coach who continues to command the respect and the support of college fans after he has watched his team take it on the chin nine consecutive times. Such support adds to the prestige of Coach Rankin and his boys, and it is a tribute in every sense of the word.

Maine has tasted victory, but the Bears are in line to lose more ball games before the season is concluded. With all this pleasant talk, we must face the facts. But one thing is assured. While Maine may lose two or three more games, the fans are firmly behind their team. And you can bet your last two safety pins that the squad will be trying for every last point in the games yet to be played.

Don't think for a minute that the "Doc" doesn't appreciate all this. He realizes what a fickle lot the average college fans can be, and many times a truly good coach is tossed to the wolves before he has had a chance to prove himself. Rankin proved himself last season, and he's doing it again this year. There is a word for it. Could that word perhaps be perseverance?

Blue Skiers To Compete At Montreal

Maine's crack skiing squad left for Montreal yesterday to participate in the Eastern United States and Canadian college championship meet.

The Pale Blue skiers copped a seventh place last week at the Dartmouth Winter carnival as Pidacks led the Maine skiers with a fourth place in the cross country run.

Denver Ahead

Ahead of the Pale Blue man were Johnson of Denver and Armstrong and Snow of New Hampshire.

Bill Cummings, the Bears' top jumper, placed eighth in that event with three Dartmouth men bunched up ahead of him along with four other schools, including Denver college which took first place in the meet itself.

In the downhill race and the slalom events Maine placed seventh and sixth respectively. In the cross-country event the team placed fifth and in the jump sixth.

Members of the Pale Blue squad who left for the Canadian trip are: Bill Cummings, Dick Dwelley, Bob Pidacks, Grady Erickson, Dick Hatch, Gil LeClair, Emil Winter, John Brogoli and Jack Hawley.

Captains Listed

The tri-captains for the trip will be Cummings, Dwelley and Pidacks.

Earlier this season, Pidacks placed an individual second in the Jackson, New Hampshire, meet out of 56 competitors, and the Pale Blue also swept the triangular meet with Bowdoin and Colby.

Maine's Rifle Squads Prepare For Meets

The women's rifle team will soon come to the front among Maine's rifle squads. As yet, the girls' team has shot no matches but they have three scheduled starting Feb. 24 with the University of Vermont, the University of Utah and Montana State. No names have been posted for these matches.

The freshman team has had but one match so far. Members of the team are: Bob Stender, Brian Simm, Mark Getchell, Norman Schlaack and Merle Adams.

Bears Prep For Week-End Tilts; Down Bates For Third Straight

By BILL MATSON

Coach Rome Rankin's upward-surfing Maine Bears will face two major tests over the week end when they face Northeastern tomorrow, and on Saturday tangle with a powerful Connecticut quintet. Both of the games are home contests. In previous tilts against these two teams, Maine was defeated by Northeastern, 78-69, and by Connecticut, 68-52. After losing nine straight contests, the Rankinmen made it three wins in a row Tuesday night, by defeating Bates, 65-52, in a game that saw Maine start slowly, but increase a six-point halftime lead to win going away.

In a hair-raising preliminary encounter to the Bates-Maine battle, the Maine Frosh dropped a heartbreaking, double overtime contest to Ricker Junior College, 65-61, in a game that more than matched the varsity go for thrills and spills.

UConnns And Huskies Are Hurdle

This coming week end is a big hurdle for the Rankinmen. In their first meeting with Northeastern, the Bears blew a 13 point halftime lead to lose the game by nine points. The first scrap against Connecticut was a case of too much steam from the UConn attack that the Bears were unable to match.

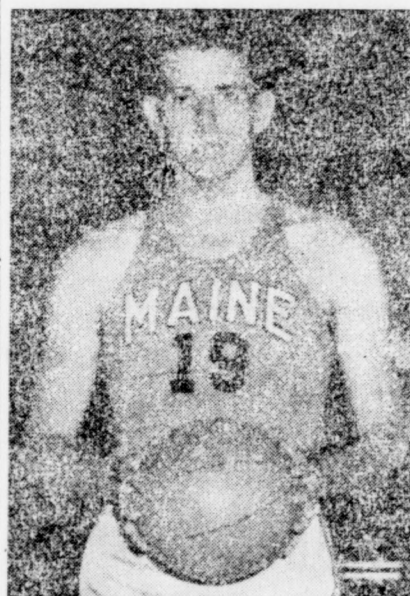
Against Bates on Tuesday, the hoopmen copped their second consecutive State Series victory. The Bears jumped to a quick 10-4 lead, but the Bobcats crept up slowly to knot the score 17-17 with three minutes remaining in the half. At that point, Blaine Trafton took over with seven quick points against two baskets by Bates to make the score 24-21, Maine. The Bears increased this lead until at halftime, the score read Maine 29, Bates 23.

Led by Bob Churchill, Maine raced to a lead of 40-29, with four minutes gone by in the second half. From there, the Rankin men increased the lead, and won going away, 65-52.

Foul Shooting Is Difference

An interesting sidelight is the pertinent fact that Maine and Bates both scored 21 goals from the floor, but Pale Blue superiority from the foul line spelled the difference, as Maine counted 23 times on free throws, while Bates could garner but 10 points from the foul line.

University facilities for athletics and physical education include Memorial Gymnasium, Memorial indoor field house, the Women's gymnasium, and numerous athletic fields.



Bob Churchill, steadily improving Sophomore Center, continued to set the pace, as he led the scorers in Tuesday's Bates-Maine game with 24 points. In addition, he connected on 10 out of 13 tries from the foul line.

Trustees Accept Post-Season Athletic Policy

The problem of post-season athletics, a controversial issue last year toward the end of the basketball season, has been definitely disposed of in a statement of policy by the University trustees.

The matter came to a head last year when Maine's basketball team was denied the right to participate in the New England Intercollegiate tournament at New Britain, Conn., after winning the state title at home.

Action Taken

The action, taken by the Board of Trustees and submitted in the form of a note sent to Dean Wieman, Director of Athletics, reads:

"It is the belief of the Athletic Board and the Board of Trustees... that post season athletics are inconsistent with the principles of intercollegiate competition adhered to by the University..."

They elaborated on the situation by saying that extension of the season beyond that properly allotted to the sport in question will result in conflicts with other University interests; that over-emphasis upon one sport at the expense of others would result, and that there was possibility for exploitation of the participants.

"Therefore," the policy concluded, "the University declares that it does not approve of participation in post-season contests, except when sponsored by a collegiate organization of which the school is a member, and approved, in advance of the season, as a part of the regularly accepted schedule."

Bear Trackmen Risk Four-Year Winning Streak

By CURT BURRELL

Maine's indoor track team risks its impressive record of four straight undefeated years of competition, Saturday afternoon, when the Jenkins coached squad meets the University of New Hampshire varsity at 2 p.m. in the field house.

Maine, which thus far this season holds a victory over Bates and a first in the Yankee Conference Relay at Boston earlier this month, will face what Coach Jenkins considers the toughest opponent this season.

Bates Downed

New Hampshire, who won over Bates by the same margin as Maine, were defeated by Bowdoin last week, but competed without the services of two of their best men—Jacobs in the dashes and Johnston in the high jump. The Durham, N. H., team boasts particular strength in the weight, jump, and one mile events.

The pale Blue squad, boasting no individual stars, will attempt to preserve their four year record of 18 consecutive victories without the services of John Bowler in the 600 yd. dash, who is ineligible, and Dick Gordon, outstanding weight man, who is currently recuperating from an operation.

Try For 19th

Coach Jenkins, who lost many of his outstanding performers through graduation last June, will be counting heavily on inexperienced men in the dash and hurdle events as well as veterans Floyd Milbank and Jack Wathen to chalk up number nineteen in a row for the Bears.

The varsity will compete three more times at home this season on the indoor track. A week from Saturday, it will meet Springfield college and the two successive weeks after that the Bears will round off the season's competition against Boston University and Northeastern.

If the Bears escape without a loss, they will have completed four years of winning competition.

Dick Dow is the new president of the University's "M" club. The honorary athletic society elected Dow to succeed John Wallace, last year's prexy.

Others elected were: Jack Wathen, vice president; Al Pease, secretary, and Harry Easton, treasurer.

Women's Sports

By SALLY ARSENAULT

Three co-eds have received national ratings as basketball officials. They are: Lee Ambrose, Martha Pratt, and Mary Belle Tufts. Helen Strong received a local rating while Gale Davenport, Isadore Stearns, and Mary Uebrecht have received intramural ratings.

The final standings for the inter-dorm league are as follows, in order of finish—**White League:** Elms II, Balentine II, South Estabrooke, East II, West II, and Colvin; **Blue League:** Elms I, North Estabrooke, East I, Balentine, Off Campus, and West I. The top scorers in the tournament were Tillie Lavery, Isadore Stearns, and Marilyn Cockburn.

Within The Walls

By HUGH LORD

Lack of interest in intramural sports is becoming a sore spot among members of the athletic department who are working hard to make possible a complete and interesting program for the students.

Ralph Piscopo, student instructor for intramural boxing, realizes this perhaps more than any other man connected with intramural sports. Last year, 35 men reported for intramural boxing and put on a display which proved very interesting. This year there are only 10 men working out, and only three of them are veterans from last year's squad.

Intramural basketball is another sport in which the lack of interest has been evident. Despite the fact that there are 49 teams competing this year, an average of about two fans per

game have been on hand to witness the contests. These same fans are made up mostly of coeds watching their favorite fraternity, or student wives cheering their husbands.

Contrary to what seems to be popular opinion, intramural basketball is interesting and provides as much entertainment and thrills as a varsity game.

Interest among the players themselves also seems to be lacking. The primary reason being that so few players actually do get into the ball game—a condition which the few fans present deplore.

Each team has its five pet men who actually get a chance to participate, while the rest of the squad sits on the bench and squirms. It is little wonder that these bench-warmers lose interest.

Results Of Vote On AF Unit Expected To Be Known Soon

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added, "isn't clear."

The campus referendum was suggested in a Jan. 31 letter from the Federal Security Agency, which announced that the Air Force was planning to establish ROTC units in 62 more institutions, and invited applications from interested schools.

The suggested form of the questions to appear on the referendum ballots, which was followed by University officials, is as follows:

"Do you strongly favor, or favor, or oppose, or are you indifferent to the establishment of an Air Force ROTC unit on a permanent basis at this institution?"

"Do you strongly favor, or favor, or oppose, or are you indifferent to the establishment of an Air Force ROTC unit at this institution for the duration of the present emergency only?"

The official communication contained no indication of what weight, if any,

the result of the vote would have on the decision of the "impartial, anonymous board" that processes the applications.

The first ballots to be distributed were marked by yesterday's assembly audience. Last night, others were distributed to the dormitories and fraternity houses. Off-campus students had an opportunity to vote today at Carnegie Lounge, where ballots were made available to them. "We hope to have all the student returns in Friday," Mr. Crossland said. Dr. Hauck will poll faculty members at a meeting Monday.

No definite indication has been received here, Mr. Crossland said, of when final action on the U. of M. application will be made known.

According to Army ROTC officials here, military students would take both basic and advanced training in the branch of their choice, if an Air Force unit were established here.

Beta House Elects Easton And Falt

Harry Easton is new president of the Maine chapter of Beta Theta Pi, following house elections held Monday night. Other officers are as follows: Gordon Falt, vice president; Don Stevens, secretary; Walter Tweedie, treasurer; Clare Beames, house manager; John Colter, steward; Doug Kneeland, alumni secretary; Neal Wolverton, social chairman; and Vaughn Twaddell, representative to the Intramural Council.

Trustee Will Address Maine Chapter Feb. 20

University trustee Edward A. Whitney, Augusta, will address a banquet meeting of the Maine chapter of the American Association of University Professors Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Scheduled for 7 p.m. in the main dining room of Estabrooke hall, the banquet will be open to all members of the faculty and administrative staff at \$1.75 a plate.

Dance Issue To Be Settled At Balentine

The complaint has often been heard on campus that our co-eds don't know how to dance. In defense, the co-eds have blamed the male student for the terrible terpsichorean exhibitions which have taken place.

A social dancing class is being

formed. Hal Sullivan of the Freshman class will be in charge and the class will be instructed by Miss Eileen Cassidy. The group will practice every Monday night from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Balentine smoker. The first meeting will be Feb. 19.

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